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Shantz Village project moves forward

BY FRANK DABBS
MVP Staff

Didsbury residents and visitors received a first-hand briefing on the Shantz Village adult community development at the chamber of commerce trade expo April 9.

WestRidge Fine Homes owner Mark Lehouillier and sales manager Derk Patton were at the expo giving out brochures, explaining what WestRidge plans for Shantz Village and answering questions.

Mayor Rick Mosseau said he was pleased that WestRidge represented the Shantz Village project at the expo.

"This is an awesome project," said Mayor Mosseau. "It will be good for the town – a turning point in our development."

Patton said he heard some negative comments, but also heard that there is "high demand" for the project.

"People are looking for a 'lock-and-leave' residence. Or they are downsizing," he said in reference to the positive comments he heard.

"One thing we don't have in the Shantz Village property is recreational vehicle storage but that is available elsewhere in Didsbury," said Patton.

"WestRidge has a depth of experience building homes like this," he commented.

The town and project proponents are preparing for the April 19 public hearing on the municipal plan, area structure plan and land use bylaw amendments.

The hearing will take place at the Didsbury Memorial Complex at 8 p.m.

Chief administrative office Harold Northcott said the town will offer two informal open houses in the curling rink at the Memorial Complex, one from 2-4 p.m. and one from 6-8 p.m. prior to the formal hearing.

Representatives of the organizations involved in the Shantz Village project will have information booths at the open houses and representatives will answer questions, Northcott said.

The town has conditionally sold the site to the Shantz Village Land Corporation owned by Edmonton chartered accountant and real estate developer William MacLean and his wife Carla.

Community leader Kevin Bentley writes about the development issues facing Shantz Village on page 3.



At the Didsbury Art, Trade and Travel Expo on the weekend on April 9 and 10, artist Megan Gilson demonstrated reverse painting on glass. Gilson paints on vintage windows gathered from rural Alberta, and thinks the history of the window is an important element of the painting.

Mountainview Colts hold awards dinner

BY FRANK DABBS
MVP Staff

The Mountainview Colts, first in the regular season of the Heritage Junior B northern division and league champions for the 2015-16 season honoured their best players April 9.

The Colts, their girlfriends and families gathered for the awards dinner at the Five-O Club with coaches, staff and the team's directors. Coach Gord Olsen and assistant coach Michael Gale MCed the presentations.

The team gave hardware to 13 players for their outstanding season.

The Colts' two goalies, Thomas Della Siega and Jake Carlson, were named the team's most valuable players.

The Michal Brander trophy for leadership went jointly to Cole Sutherland and Dennis Lawrence.

Tyson Schmidt and Austin Pedersen won the coaches' choice award.

Winners of the Frank Murphy Memorial trophy for the top defencemen were Dennis Lawrence and Clinton Armitage.

Keaton Perigny was the heart and hustle award winner.

The Ivan Olsen Memorial trophy for the most improved player went to Reed Engman.

Mitchell Visser was named the team's rookie of the year and the Albert Hood Memorial trophy winner for the fans' choice.

And Colton Anderson was the Colts' leading scorer, in spite of missing several games with a broken wrist.

Four players, Dennis Lawrence, Cole Sutherland, Clinton Armitage and Jacob Vander Zaag will not return next year, and were honoured as the "retirees" with a team jersey bearing their number and a golf bag with the Mountainview Colts logo.

A fifth player, Mitch Visser is being courted by the Olds Grizzlies for

next season.

The backstory to the team's three losses in three games at the provincials in Red Deer March 30 to April 2 emerged. The Colts' players started to suffer from colds, pneumonia and flu during their championship series with the Cochrane Generals.

Vitamin C and Advil got them to the championship, but illness got the upper hand at the provincials. Most seriously sidelined was goalie Thomas Della Siega who developed full-fledged pneumonia.

To their credit, the Colts players are not complaining about the outcome of the tournament. An element of the character that the team has developed in its players is "no excuses."

The Mountainview Colts will return to the ice in August at the Carstairs Memorial Arena where ice is installed ahead of ice at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. Training camp begins in September.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: Tuesdays April 12 & 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: Wednesday April 13, 2016 at 4:30 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

ROLLOUT CART PICK-UP SCHEDULE

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF DIDS BUR Y PROPOSED BYLAWS

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Didsbury in the province of Alberta has given first reading to Bylaw 2016-02 "Municipal Development Plan Amendment – Shantz Village", Bylaw 2016-03 "Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Shantz Village", and Bylaw 2016-04 "Shantz Village Area Structure Plan".

Bylaw 2016-02 "Municipal Development Plan Amendment – Shantz Village"

A Bylaw of the Town of Didsbury, to amend Bylaw 2012-09 "Municipal Development Plan" for the parcel of land described as:

Legal: Plan 131 0247, Block 1, Lot 1
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 Plan 131 0247, Block 1, Lot 4, 5, 6, 8
 Plan 131 0247, Block 1, Lot 9
 Plan 131 0247, Block 1, Lot 10, 11, 12

Civic: 100 -1200 Shantz Drive

be amended as follows:

Legal Address (Civic Address)

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Existing Zoning

(I) Industrial
 (I) Industrial

Proposed Zoning

(C) Commercial
 (R) Residential
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Bylaw 2016-03 "Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Shantz Village"

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Existing Zoning

(I2) Heavy Industrial
 (I2) Heavy Industrial

Proposed Zoning

(C1) General Commercial
 (R5) High Density Residential
 (R2) General Residential
 (R2) General Residential
 (R2) General Residential
 (C1) General Commercial
 (IS) Institutional
 (IS) Institutional

Bylaw 2016-04 "Shantz Village Area Structure Plan"

A Bylaw of the Town of Didsbury, to regulate the use and development of land within the municipality. The Bylaw regulates the use and development of lands at the parcel of land described as:

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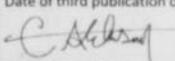
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Prior to being granted second and third readings, a public hearing has been scheduled for these Bylaws on April 19th 2016 at 8:00 pm. The location of this public hearing will be at the Didsbury Memorial Complex (Curling Rink Lounge) located at 1702 -21st Avenue.

The public may view a copy of the proposed Bylaws at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19th Avenue, during regular office hours 8:30 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. A copy of the proposed bylaws will also be published on the Town of Didsbury website www.didsbury.ca.

The Town of Didsbury is interested in receiving comments, regardless of stance on Bylaws, and encourages questions or written comments regarding the proposed bylaws to be directed to Christofer Atchison, Manager of Legislative and Development Services prior to April 19th 2016.

Date of first publication of this notice: March 29, 2016
 Date of second publication of this notice: April 5, 2016
 Date of third publication of this notice: April 12, 2016


 Christofer Atchison
 Manager of Legislative and Development Services

Office: 403-335-3391 ext. 1118

Email: catchison@didsbury.ca

Mail: Box 790 Didsbury AB, T0M 0W0

Join the Town of Didsbury for an informal

OPEN HOUSE

April 19

2:00 - 4:00 pm

&

6:00 - 8:00 pm

at the Didsbury Curling Club



Representatives will be on hand from a number of organizations involved in the Shantz Village development to answer questions.

A formal Public Hearing at 8:00 pm will allow residents to have their say on the proposed bylaws, regardless of their stance.

PUBLIC NOTICE PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Recently Fish and Wildlife, Community Peace Officers and Didsbury RCMP have been dealing with reports of moose in town. Moose are a normal occurrence in our town and are not generally dealt with unless they are showing signs of aggression, or are in areas with lots of children. If you see moose in town please give them their space and keep children and dogs away from them. Dogs often want to chase and the moose have been known to kick at them causing serious injury or death. Please do not feed wildlife, for when we feed the deer and moose they return because of an established food source. A large population of this type of wildlife will attract predators which could be dangerous.

If moose are coming into areas with children such as schools, parks, etc., then please contact Fish and Wildlife at 1-800-642-3800. In addition, please contact Peace Officers through the Town Office at 403-335-3391. At times you may see officers shooting at the animals in town. If that happens, please stay away from the area and know that officers only use bean bag rounds, rubber bullets, and paint ball guns to scare them off. These are non-lethal means of letting the moose know to be more wary of humans and to move to more secluded areas.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Spring was in the air

BY FRANK DABBS
MVP Staff

More than 1,800 people visited more than 100 booths, listened to country and fiddle music, saw new artwork and enjoyed each other's company over lunch at the chamber of commerce's 31st Art Travel and Trade Expo April 9 and 10.

In spite of a windy Saturday, spring weather helped draw a steady flow of visitors to the Didsbury Memorial Complex, said trade expo manager Diana Steer. "Twenty-five to 30 per cent of our exhibitors were people who have home businesses," said Steer.

A core of established enterprises that exhibit their business each year were back too, she said.

In addition, non-profit organizations had active booths. The Scouts sold cotton candy, the Lions Club had tickets for its annual garden gazebo draw and the car club displayed vintage cars and motorcycles.

The town had a marquee booth staffed in shifts by the mayor and town councillors, and included giveaways of town key chains and lapel pins.

Nathan Cooper, the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills Wildrose MLA, and a group of his volunteers added a light touch of politics, giving balloons to children and chatting.

At press time, the Sunday daily attendance count was still underway; 1,100 visitors attended Saturday and organizers said probably 800 came on Sunday, which is always a quieter day.

"This year we had a good pace of traffic; there were no lulls and no big bunches," said Steer.

"Attendance was better than last year and support from exhibitors was very strong," Steer said.

Not only was the weather spring-like, a new booth design that featured white, light blue and pale yellow curtains instead of somber black drew good reviews. The booths this year were separated by much lower partitions – about a metre in height – that created a more welcoming and friendly atmosphere.

One highlight was the presentation of a cheque for \$2,500 from the Lions to the Rosebud Health Foundation.

Another highlight was the unveiling of a piece of historic glasswork called The Dance restored by Bill Anthony and Glenda Rivers of Unique Stained Glass Artwork. The owner, Jeff Allen, helped Anthony with the unveiling.

Allen's grandfather, iconic Canadian history artist C.W. Jefferys designed the piece and his great-uncle Walter, a stained glass artist too, made it.

Allen told stories of C.W. Jefferys' role as a close friend and promoter of the iconic Group of Seven artists, of Allen's work to raise awareness of Jefferys' reputation and of the role that Imperial Oil has played over the years to protect the Jefferys copyright.

The trade expo also featured the 2016 edition of the Fiddlers Jamboree MCed by Teena Wilkes of Top Note Musical School.

The Jamboree drew 20 senior and junior fiddlers – 10 women and 10 men – from across the province.

It started with an ensemble of the 14 senior fiddlers and concluded with a grand ensemble of all 20 performers.

The best booth of the weekend was that of For Trees, the Didsbury landscape business that "does everything but cut your lawn," said Amberly Strom.

The full service tree and landscaping contractor placed first in the independent judging category and also won the people's choice award. Founder and president Gerard Fournier said, "We are devoted tree huggers."

The judges gave second place to JimBob's Nursery, the popular Carstairs garden centre and landscaping firm.

Weatherby's Wreaths, one of the new home-based businesses at the trade expo won third place. Proprietor Patricia Weatherby works for Air Canada and commutes to Calgary International Airport.

"This doesn't pay the bills yet, but when it's time to retire (from Air Canada), I want to do this here in Didsbury," she said.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Evelin Sass walks through the arena at the art trade and travel expo with four balloons in tow.

Letter

Reimagining Shantz Crossing

"To be, or not to be, that is the question" (William Shakespeare in Hamlet) aptly puts the Shantz Village reimaging in perspective: to be a residential/commercial focused neighbourhood, or to remain as the Shantz Crossing industrial district.

Does the reimaging fit Didsbury's existing vision and governance framework? If not, should the vision and governance framework be reviewed and revised prior to reimaging considerations?

Are the proposed land use redesignations and build-out of the site of the best possible innovative design? Do they capture the imagination of all stakeholders, becoming part of their sense of place and being in the Didsbury community? Answers to these questions, and the merits each option offers to progressively move Didsbury forward - YIMBY (Yes, In My Back Yard) - hopefully will be provided at the open house and public hearing on April 19.

On March 9, as the first step in reimaging the site to a residential/

commercial focused neighbourhood, the Municipal Planning Commission recommended a public hearing process to ensure the town of Didsbury and the conditional buyer "did things right" (Didsbury Review March 29).

Town administration and council are governed by a number of policies as a framework for "doing things right", none more relevant than the Accountability Policy requiring an open and forthright environment that includes: 1) disclosure of information sufficient to make an informed decision, 2) consideration to the full range of possible alternatives, and 3) the pros and cons of recommended options for council's decision.

What is not clear is whether consideration has been given to ensuring Didsbury's existing democratic governance framework (the main pillars being the Municipal Development Plan, Strategic Plan, Land Use Bylaw, Area Structure and Redevelopment plans, Central Core Heritage Plan, any as may be supported by research such as

the Economic Development Plan and Affordable Housing Study) is not deemed superfluous as a result of the financial expediency offered from a single sole sourced opportunity.

Two significant attributes of this governance framework strongly support that Didsbury's downtown area is to remain the focus of commercial activity, plus an industrial development strategy directed at achieving a residential to non-residential tax assessment of 70:30 by 2020.

Other notable attributes are housing forms of innovative design with consideration to affordability and attainability, and sustainable sociability/liveability for residents. Is it appropriate for "notwithstanding status" be conferred on Shantz Village, an ad hoc opportunity that develops a commercial area distant from the downtown (using a liberal interpretation of the Land Use Bylaw), replaces a site developed to meet industrial objectives, and is silent to housing and liveability needs of the community?

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Volunteering ... a sense of belonging

BY KATHLEEN
WINDSOR

My mom was basically a stay-at-home mom. Like many rural women, she worked with my dad on the farm. She also volunteered with the Olds Agricultural Society, Olds College, and the Handweavers, Spinners and Dyers of Alberta. Her favourite was the Olds Handicraft Guild. She took my sister and me with her everywhere.

I was a volunteer with the Horticulture & Creative Arts exhibits at the Olds Fair from the age of eight. I was

tall enough to reach the tables to spread out the paper and I was allowed to use scissors. My brother helped with the heavy stuff; my older sister typed up the prize list. We all pitched in.

Eventually, my mom retired as the chairman and a lady named Betty Jorsvick took over for a few years before I took the reins. Betty was amazing and my mentor, and teacher. She taught me how to show respect for the judges and the exhibitors, and how to treat the people you were working with.

My kids helped us set up the art and crafts and

so did both my nieces. The older ladies were really glad they came because those little feet could move a whole lot faster than theirs. Those kids were learning the art of volunteering ... but all they knew was that they were enjoying themselves and having fun. And when you can make volunteering fun you've found the Holy Grail of volunteering.

It's difficult to describe what volunteering means. How can anyone make you truly "feel" how much helping out adds to your life. How rewarding it is to touch someone else who's standing with you under the volunteer umbrella.

Volunteering is not just about putting on a great big event. It's all about "feeling" ... a sense of belonging, enjoying being with a family of friends. As volunteers, they might move on but as friends, they're with you forever.

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PENGROWTH ENERGY CORPORATION will be commencing a scheduled temporary shutdown of the Olds Field & Gas Plant starting April 20th, 2016 to perform a regular inspection and maintenance of the plant equipment. The outage is scheduled to be completed by May 17th, 2016. During this period, there will be increased activity and associated traffic within proximity of the Pengrowth Gas Plant (located 6 km south of Olds on the Amerada Road). Pengrowth acknowledges that there may be some inconvenience due to this necessary maintenance work and thanks nearby residents and the community in advance for their patience.



PENGROWTH

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Noel West/MVP Staff
At the art, trade and travel expo April 9 and 10, Lions Club members sold tickets to their annual gazebo draw.

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The didsbury paying it forward club would like to thank all involved for making our fundraiser a complete success. Your generosity is what makes a town a community. Special thank you to the following people and businesses,

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With your help we raised \$3,848.11 Dollars for our cause. Again, thank you to all who participated and please come to our next fundraiser December 31, 2016 at the Elks Hall.



Volunteer Week

April 10 - 16, 2016

Making a difference

Dedicated Albertans who are helping to build strong communities through grassroots community service will be the focus of celebrations across the province during National Volunteer Week.

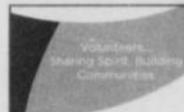
April 10-16 is National Volunteer Week. Across Alberta, events and activities are taking place to honour those who are at the heart of the social, cultural and recreational programs that make communities great.

"Volunteers are the roots of strong communities."

"The roots of volunteerism run deep in Alberta and from those roots strong families and communities have blossomed. National Volunteer Week is a chance to reflect on how those caring and committed volunteers have made a difference in your life and how you can make a difference in the lives of others," said Ricardo Miranda, minister of culture and tourism.

With this year's theme of "volunteers are the roots of strong communities", more than 90 communities will be hosting activities to recognize local volunteers.

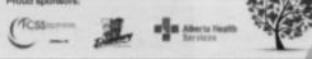
Volunteers who contribute to their community have a sense of purpose and belonging and they are essential to non-profit organizations and communities across the province, said Jann Beeston, executive director of Volunteer Alberta.



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Joseph Shi, left, and other supporters wait for Shi's brother and his family to arrive at the Calgary International Airport on April 5.



Joseph Shi, right, hugs his brother Fukui Shi as he enters the airport terminal on April 5.

Chinese refugee says he finally feels free

Fukui Shi and family land in Canada April 5

BY PATRICIA RILEY
MVP Staff

Fukui Shi said he finally felt free when he landed on Canadian soil with his wife and two kids on April 5.

The Chinese refugee has been trying to immigrate to Canada since 2007 and was finally accepted in December of last year.

His brother Joseph, who is a Cremona councillor and a Chinese refugee himself, awaited his arrival anxiously at the Calgary International Airport with family and friends.

While he saw his brother three years ago, this would be a reunion like no other.

Supporters held mini Canadian flags, a sign that read "Welcome to Canada Fukui Shi family" and balloons and flowers.

Joseph's face lit up when he saw his younger brother walk through the airport doors into the meeting area and he immediately embraced him in a familiar hug.

Smiles quickly spread across the faces of about a dozen people gathered there for the Shi family and soon everyone was hugging.

Joseph said he was ecstatic to see his brother arrive safely in Canada after almost 10 years of fighting to get him here, adding he couldn't sleep for two nights prior to his arrival.

Although Fukui cannot speak any English, he asked Joseph to tell everyone how thankful he was for their support.

The history

Joseph was arrested in China nearly 30 years ago for leading a counter-revolutionary group and spent seven years in prison before fleeing the country and overcoming multiple hurdles en route to Canada in 2000.

He published an underground newsletter to educate people that China wasn't a communist country. As a believer in communism, he felt the Chinese government was brainwashing citizens by appearing communistic but not following the communism theory.

After he was arrested, Fukui started to follow what his older brother had started. He discovered that poor people in China were paying more in taxes than they could afford and the school system was flawed as well.

He collected evidence, mailed it to Joseph and the two of them contacted several media outlets in an effort to spread the news. Joseph has connections with human rights groups in China, which has allowed him to communicate with Fukui and send and receive information over the years.

Joseph said this sparked a joint government investigation into the evidence that was provided. He said it resulted in changes to rural resident taxation and the school system.

But after that, Fukui faced death threats and was attacked on more than one occasion. Joseph said he was even stabbed during one of the attacks.

Fukui also supported various human rights movements, including a website. But once the website's creator was arrested, he knew he couldn't continue doing what he believed in.

"From then on we decided it was time for him to get out," said Joseph.

He said in 2007, Fukui and his family attempted to flee the country. They got passports and registered in a tour group to Thailand but were stopped at the airport and their passports were taken away.

That same year, Amnesty International issued an urgent action letter for Fukui and millions of people from across the world wrote letters to the Chinese government in support of him, he added.

But Fukui, his wife Shoufang and their two sons Chunlei and Hanlei, were still not accepted to come to Canada.

En route to Canada

After bouncing from city to city in China since 2007, Fukui and his family managed to escape the country and flee to Thailand in February last year.

Joseph hired a smuggler to guide them through the border from China to Burma on foot. But once they arrived in Burma, the smuggler began to act suspicious and the Shis thought he had connections to the Chinese government.

They managed to escape to a nearby church where a priest said they could stay for a couple of weeks. During that time Fukui met a man outside of the church who told him he could help them get to Thailand for a small amount of money.

With nothing to lose, they took the risk and the man followed through.

After arriving in Thailand, they lived in a small apartment for more than a year hoping to get immigration approval to come to Canada.

Meanwhile, in Canada, Joseph said after an article was published in multiple Mountain View Publishing newspapers last fall, Earl Dreessen, who was running for MP in the Red Deer-Mountain View riding at the time, approached him and said he would help bring his brother to Canada if he was elected.

He was elected in October and kept his promise. Fukui was accepted only two months later.

Complications arose during the process and the Shis were put in an immigration jail for protection purposes just one week before departing for Canada.

Once they were cleared to head to Canada, they flew from Bangkok to Seoul in South Korea, then to Vancouver and arrived in Calgary on the evening of April 5 after more than 20 hours of travel time.

But there were no complaints. Fukui said he felt like a heavy load had been lifted off his shoulders and he felt relieved, happy and appreciative.

Life in Canada

Fukui and his family are living with Joseph, his wife Christina and their adopted son Joshua in their home in Cremona. They will be living there until they get settled into their new life in Canada.

During an interview with the Carstairs Courier at Joseph's restaurant in Cremona on April 7, Fukui said he thinks Cremona is beautiful and peaceful and people are friendly.

His two sons Chunlei and Hanlei, who will go by Charlie and Henry, are expected to start classes at Cremona School this week. Charlie is 11 and Henry is 17.

Joseph said they are happy and settling in well.

"This morning they already went to the schoolyard to play. They think this is heaven," he said. "Last night they couldn't sleep. They just wanted to play, play, play."

Fukui was a building renovator in China and enjoyed doing it but Joseph said the standards aren't the same in Canada. Shoufang will likely help out at the restaurant.

They are both eager to learn how to speak English and can take classes in Calgary. Charlie and Henry will learn how to speak English in school.

The Shis have been meeting with Catholic Social Services officials who help immigrants and refugees settle into Canada.

Fukui said he is grateful for the Canadian government's support and efforts to get him here, but he wants the government to help other families suffering in China as well.

Joseph said they were under the impression that their flight expenses would be covered, but later found out the government is only covering the cost of flights for Syrian refugees.

"You can't treat one group differently than the other. It's totally unfair," he said.

"No matter which country the refugee is from, none of the refugees have good financial situations. They should be treated equally," he said.

"He (Fukui) was treated good and we appreciate the Canadian government for that, but we shouldn't only take refugees from one country and ignore the rest."



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Opinion

Editorial

Time to set aside partisanship

To everything there is a season and in Alberta it is the season to set aside partisanship and for MLAs to rebuild the economy together.

In the two world wars of the 20th century, Canadian parliamentary democracy united around coalition governments. In the United States, voters gave President Franklin Roosevelt unprecedented third and fourth terms in office.

Alberta has a history of extraordinary political remedies. Now is the time for one of those out-of-the-box political moves.

As Premier Rachel Notley said April 7 in her political homily given on television from her kitchen table, the oil price collapse is causing severe economic pain and personal anxieties about jobs and the future.

It is not the NDP's doing. West Texas Intermediate oil prices have nose-dived from \$107 in June 2014 to \$26 in February.

It is not the NDP's doing that the unemployment rate has climbed from 4.7 to 7.9 per cent in 18 months.

It is not the NDP's doing that resource revenues have fallen from \$9.6 billion in fiscal 2013-14 to a projected \$1.4 billion in the coming budget year.

All Albertans are dancing to the music that the global economy makes. For this province the music is a dirge.

Whether or not conservatives and capitalists like it, the duly elected government is New Democratic. It sets the budget, makes the legislative agenda and governs provincial affairs.

The NDP have been in office for a year and have made no irreversible mistakes of any consequence.

Premier Notley is not very socialist in spite of the perception of Albertans, including Opposition politicians who don't get out of the province much.

And when she spoke to the province from her kitchen table, she softened her tone so much most media critics faulted her for generating more light than heat.

Where, they asked, was the fervour of her campaign a year ago?

There will be a general election in Alberta in 2019 or thereabouts.

There will be plenty of time to campaign against the government and present alternatives to what they have done and are doing.

It is time for the opposition political parties to swallow their doubts and work with the government to deal with a crisis caused by events no Albertan can control.

It might be another matter if any of her opponents, especially the Wildrose and Progressive Conservative parties, had said something about Notley's talk that was equal to the crisis.

But, to use the biblical image, when they attacked her, they strained at bugs and swallowed camels with ease.

In 1921 the United Farmers of Alberta defeated the Liberal government to form a new political dynasty.

At the first caucus meeting, they debated whether they should form a cabinet that included Conservatives and Liberals.

One of the intriguing "what-ifs" of Alberta political history is what if they had not taken the well-meaning advice of the province's civil servants who warned against a coalition cabinet.

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Letters

Wealthy tax dodging an old issue

For many years I have been writing to government authorities, political leaders, and letters to the editor complaining about Canada's loss of billions of dollars annually in tax revenue due to very wealthy Canadians evading or avoiding the payment of their fair share of taxes through the use of offshore tax havens and loopholes.

The billions lost annually could have been used to fund infrastructure renewal, social programs, reduce taxes for ordinary Canadians or reduce the deficit.

And yet, throughout the years, old-line parties in Canada failed to take any meaningful action to overcome the problem. I contacted Tom Mulcair and

other NDP functionaries suggesting that tax evasion and avoidance be made a major election issue. My request was met with stony silence. The issue was never raised at leaders' debates, leader's interviews, or the mainstream media. It almost seems as though tax evasion was a forbidden topic during the election.

With the revelation that members of the top brass around the world are participating in the scheme, one begins to understand their reluctance to solve the problem.

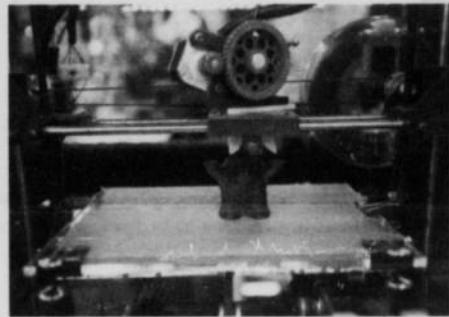
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A week end in Didsbury

*The art trade
and travel expo
April 9 and 10*

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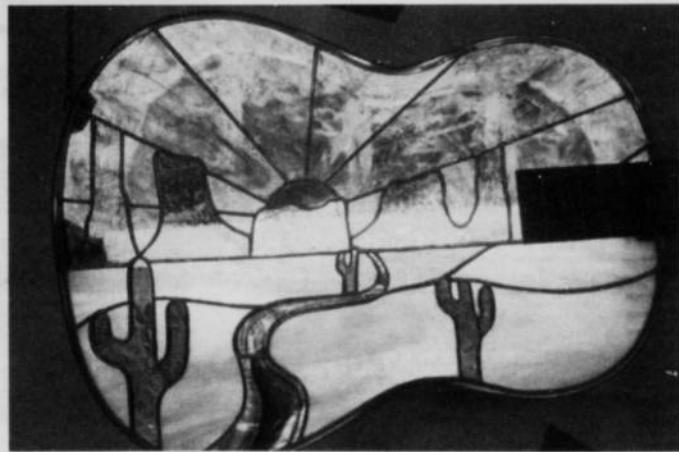


▲ A 3-D printer on display at the Didsbury Municipal Library booth

◀ Melody Fuller relaxes in a massage chair during the Art, Travel and Trade Expo at the Didsbury Memorial Complex on April 9.

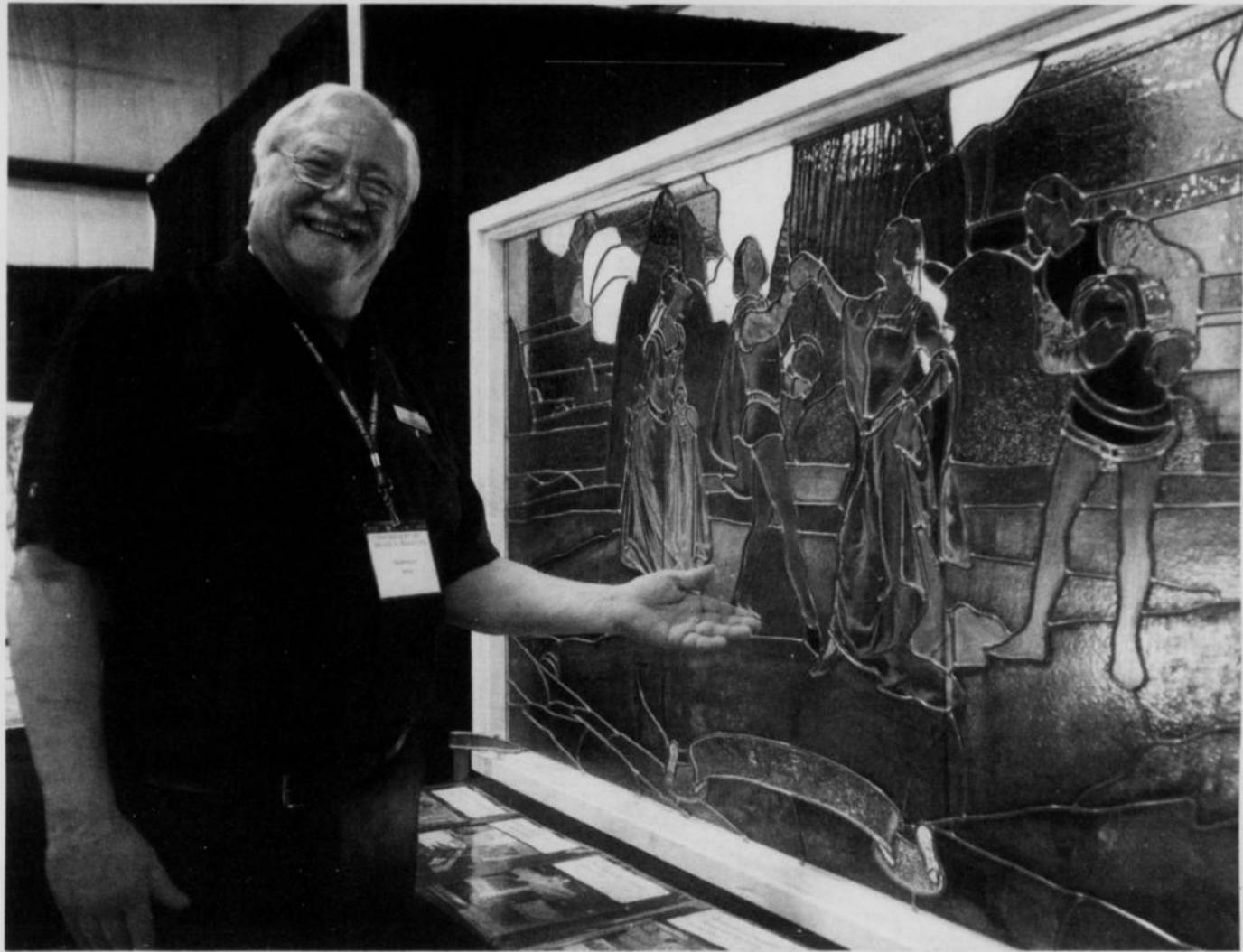


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Home security cameras urged

BY FRANK DABBS
MVP Staff

Homeowners with property security issues such as break and enter or property damage should consider installing surveillance cameras, a Didsbury detachment RCMP officer says.

Cpl. Resus Organ said in a briefing April 7 affordable wired and wireless security cameras are available and RCMP would be happy to advise property owners on their effective installation. For instance, a camera can be positioned to film the image of a licence plate on a vehicle during the commission of a crime.

And it's an invasion of privacy to have the camera pointing onto a neighbour's property. Police can help with these kinds of issues.

Homeowners in Mountain View County and its towns are beginning to use the cameras as an alternative or

supplement to an alarm system, Cpl. Organ said.

Police like camera systems because they provide evidence if a crime is committed.

Cpl. Organ said cameras are an especially good form of security for rural properties.

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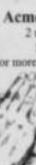
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AROUND TOWN

FOR APRIL 12, 2016



April. "Elements of Art" program at the Didsbury Museum is showcasing Larissa Manser "Girl on Fire Glassworks" and her beautiful glass etching.

April 12. FLEEING, FLED OR IN THE MIDST OF CONFLICT - Domestic Violence Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre (CAPCC) is hosting the Central Alberta OUTREACH WORKER in Olds on Tuesdays beginning APRIL 12. If you can use the valuable services this organization offers call 587-796-1611 to set up an appointment or email olds@pregnancycare.ca

April 13. Parkinson Alberta Support Group meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at Sunrise Village, 5600 Sunrise Cr. in Olds from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Everyone welcome. Call Moira 1 403-346-4463 for more information

April 13. 5-0 Club Pot Luck, Wednesday, April 13 at 12:30. Bring your favourite food and a friend. Entertainment will be the Didsbury Valley Voices.

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April 23. Energy Matters forum at the Didsbury Library - your opportunity to find out about sustainable community initiatives. Displays and presentations from 10 am till Noon Saturday morning.

April 26, May 3 and May 10. Free "Money Matters" workshop at the Didsbury Library. Money Matters is a financial literacy program for adult learners developed by ABC Life Literacy Canada who is partnering with the Library and co-sponsoring this series of workshops for you to learn to better manage your money! Workshops will be Tuesday evenings, January 12, 19, and 26. Please register at the Library. No charge. Maximum 12 participants. Call 403 335-3142 or come in to register 2033 19 Avenue.

April 27. Coffee and Conversation at the Didsbury Museum. Join us as the proprietors from Kershaw School and the Double Tree Village Museum talk regarding their Museums.

April 27. Olds Community Chorus SPRING CONCERT 7:30 PM at the Didsbury Zion Evangelical Church. Admission: Adults \$10, Students \$5, Children 6 and under: free.

May 5. Olds Community Chorus SPRING CONCERT 7:30 PM at the Olds First Baptist Church. Admission: Adults \$10, Students \$5, Children 6 and under: free.

May 5. In support of Mental Health Awareness Week, Didsbury Addiction and Mental Health clinic is hosting a free BQ for the Didsbury community at the Train Station on May 5th.

Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre in Olds is open 10:00-5:00 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays. Call: 587-796-1611 or email olds@pregnancycare.ca. NEW service, clothing boutique for maternity clothes and newborn to 2 years of age FREE.

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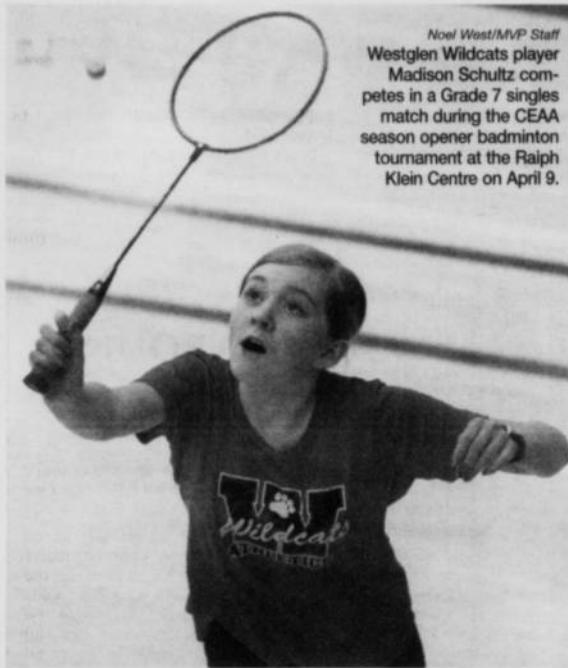
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Noel West/MVP Staff
Westglen Wildcats player
Madison Schultz competes in a Grade 7 singles match during the CEEA season opener badminton tournament at the Ralph Klein Centre on April 9.

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Is this setting the precedent for other developments in Didsbury? Would a more suitable strategy be to first revise the democratic governance framework, then undertake orderly development in an open, transparent process to maximize financial returns to Didsbury?

Are the proposed Shantz Village land use re-designations of the best spatial design and liveability for the neighbourhood or the Didsbury community? Kevin Lynch's (a stalwart of urban planning) legibility of urban design – landmarks, edges, paths, districts and nodes – provides simple design tests. The following are a few comments to encourage your observations and reimagining suggestions.

As proposed, Shantz Village lacks a distinctive landmark, one that is a "wow" factor for the neighbourhood and Didsbury community. This past winter saw people of all ages, from far and wide, enjoying skating and playing shinny hockey on the pond. With consideration

to adding angle parking space, plus people-friendly amenities (benches, picnic tables, etc.), the pond is a possible "landmark" candidate.

In a number of places the edges between districts (most noticeable between the commercial and residential districts) is quite harsh. Very few people want to be sitting in their backyard looking at the wall of a commercial building. Addition of transitional green space is a possible solution, and also becomes a welcome amenity space (park benches, trees and gardens, outdoor artwork, location for community gardens are possibilities) for the immediate neighbourhood.

Only through participation of all stakeholders (with observations in their own words, and in their own terms) on their sense of space and being in the community can a collective vision be formed to move Didsbury forward. All of your contributions, whichever project you favour, are important.

Kevin Bentley
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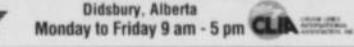
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41 Bluebird Drive



Brand new top quality home, 1422 sq ft, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open plan, gas fireplace, main floor laundry, full walkout basement

\$369,900

17 Valarosa Cove



1800+ sq ft 2 storey, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, open plan, high end laminate and vinyl plank flooring, walk through pantry, great location, full walkout

\$399,900

10 Valarosa Point



Brand new home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, tile, maple kitchen, open plan, 9' basement ceilings, full walk out, large yard, oversized double garage

\$344,900

1522 - 21 Avenue



Good potential starter home or revenue property, 2 bedrooms, single detached garage, close to rec centre, park and Tim Horton's

\$186,900

19 Silverstone Place



Beautiful custom build, 2135 sq ft, fully developed, tons of extras, large pie lot, double attached and double detached garages (both heated), great family home

\$449,900

FULL QUARTER!



Newer 1850 sq ft home, 9' ICF basement with in floor heat, triple heated attached garage, nice mix of pasture and cultivated land, beautiful setting less than 15 minutes to town

\$949,900

101, 1902 - 23 Street



Lovely unit in Westview Greens, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 9' ceilings, open plan, corner gas fireplace, floor heat, excellent location overlooking the golf course

\$184,900

17 Valarosa Point



1300+ sq ft modified bungalow, engineered hardwood, vaulted ceiling, alder kitchen, 3 + 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, fully finished walkout basement, backing onto green space and creek

\$399,900

9 Sandpiper Drive



1363 sq ft home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, ceramic tile, oak kitchen, large south facing deck, 9' basement ceilings, roughed in for floor heat

\$334,900

1911 - 17 Street



Great 50+ unit with reasonable HOA fees, open floor plan, main floor laundry, 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, partial basement development, no more mowing or shoveling!

\$239,900

Unit A,
1322 - 20 Street



Contemporary styled condo, 2 fully finished levels with a total of over 1800 sq ft, 9' and 10' ceilings, large windows, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths

\$199,900

The Porch Boyz



Congratulations to Fran Wright
The winner of a pair of slightly used camping chairs at last weekend's Trade Show

2147 - 23 Avenue



Affordable first time or revenue home, 2 bedrooms, hardwood, new kitchen line, newer furnace and hot water tank, treed lot in matured area

\$179,900

26 McAlpine Place,
Carstairs



1394 sq. ft. bungalow, 3 bedrooms, currently in the midst of renovations but priced accordingly, new windows, new high efficient furnace, electrical updates and more, come in and finish the work and enjoy a spacious family home

\$254,900

38 Bluebird Drive



\$2000 CASH BACK! 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 baths, newer laminate floors, open plan, maple kitchen with island, fully finished walk-out basement, 2 decks, fenced yard

\$334,900

302 Westview Greens



Top Floor condo apartment unit, 2 bedrooms, 9' ceilings, west side location with balcony with beautiful view of the golf course, 25+ age restriction

\$184,900

9 Valarosa Court



Large pie shaped walkout lot, backs onto green space, ready for a quick possession to build your dream home, no GST applicable

\$93,900

5 Valarosa Point



Reduced
Beautiful new home, 1441 sq ft bungalow, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood and tile, 9' ceilings, awesome ensuite bath, large rear deck, backs onto greenspace/creek with open view

\$359,900

9 Valarosa Way



Brand new build in Valarosa, 1266 sq ft, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, maple hardwood, vaulted ceilings, 22 X 24 garage, large lot, close to walking trails

\$345,225

2208 - 23 Street



1278 sq ft bungalow, feature wall with fireplace in huge living room, massive lot (70 X 150), double detached garage plus oversized single old time garage, excellent location

\$259,900

26 Deer Coulee Drive



1900 + sq ft 2 storey with 4 bedrooms upstairs, 2 1/2 baths, partially finished basement with in floor heat, huge country kitchen, gas fireplace, large lot in a great location

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